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TO AMEMBASSY MANILA PRIORITY

INFO DIRECTOR, USGAO, HONOLULU, HAWAII

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FOR AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN FROM STAFFORD, MANAGER, BANGKOK OFFICE,
USGAO; SECSTATE FOR DIRECTOR OPERATIONS ANALYSIS AND GAO
LIAISON (BF-GAO) FEM-76-39

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SUBJECT: SURVEY OF THE ART IN EMBASSIES PROGRAM

THE UNITED STATES GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE IS MAKING
A SURVEY OF THE ART IN EMBASSIES PROGRAM. THE SURVEY WILL
START ABOUT JANUARY 20, 1976, AND WILL TAKE ONE MAN APPROXI-
MATELY 10 DAYS TO COMPLETE. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS BEEN
ADVISED OF THIS ASSIGNMENT.

THE ART IN EMBASSIES PROGRAM IS A PLANNED PROGRAM TO
IMPLEMENT INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH VISUAL
ART FROM THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES. UNDER THIS PROGRAM ART
OBJECTS OWNED BY OR ON LOAN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE ARE MADE
AVAILABLE FOR USE AT POSTS FOR 2 YEARS OR LONGER. NORMALLY,
THE AMBASSADOR AND HIS WIFE INDICATE THEIR PREFERENCE REGARDING
THE ART TO BE DISPLAYED AT THE POST, SOMETIMES EVEN REQUESTING
SPECIFIC WORKS OF ART.

THE OBJECTIVE OF THIS ASSIGNMENT, WHICH IS BEING
PERFORMED IN 10 COUNTRIES, IS TO EVALUATE THE OVERALL IMPLEMEN-
TATION OF THE PROGRAM. TO ACCOMPLISH OUR OBJECTIVE, WE WILL
NEED TO MEET WITH EMBASSY OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTROL
OF THE ART OBJECTS. OUR REPRESENTATIVE WILL CONTACT THE ADMINIS-
TRATIVE OFFICER AS AN INITIAL CONTACT POINT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE
YOU MAKING THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR US TO MEET WITH THE
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APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS ON JANUARY 20. IN ADDITION, WE WOULD LIKE

THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOU CONCERNING YOUR INVOLVEMENT
IN THE ART PROGRAM.

THE FIELD WORK WILL BE PERFORMED BY UNITED STATES
GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE JAMES D. BROWNING.
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT JAMES D. BROWNING HAS BEEN GRANTED
SECURITY CLEARANCE FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES FOR ACCESS TO SECURITY
INFORMATION CLASSIFIED UP TO AND INCLUDING TOP SECRET ON THE
BASIS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 10450.

THIS CERTIFICATION IS NOT TO BE HONORED UNLESS THE
REPRESENTATIVE NAMED HEREIN PRESENTS OFFICIAL GENERAL ACCOUNTING
OFFICE CREDENTIALS.

BROWNING WILL ARRIVE IN MANILA JANUARY 19, AT 1520 ON
THAI INTERNATIONAL #620. REQUEST HOTEL RESERVATION (ONE SINGLE)
AT THE HOTEL FILIPINAS AND TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL.
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